

Remarks/Arguments:

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in light of the present amendments and following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 2-12 are pending; Claims 7-11 are amended; and no claims are newly added herewith. Claim 1 is canceled. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter is added by this amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claim 11 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph; Claims 1, 7-10, and 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Kawaguchi et al. (JP2000-148297, hereafter Kawaguchi) in view of Leung et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,469,449, hereafter Leung) in view of Kozaki (U.S. Pat. No. 5,742,367); and Claims 2-6 were allowed.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication that Claims 2-6 contain allowable subject matter.

Claim 1 has been canceled herewith, and Claims 7-11 have been amended to depend from allowed Claims 2-5. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the outstanding rejections of Claims 2-12 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) have been rendered moot by this amendment.

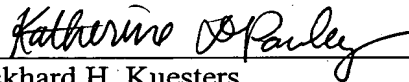
With regard to the rejection of Claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, Claim 11 has been amended herewith to clarify the noted informality. Support for this amendment may be found in the specification, for example, at page 19. As described at page 19, when the display unit is used while a separated secondary battery remains as in the conventional manner, both the separated secondary battery and the secondary battery integrally provided to the display device (e.g., an internal secondary battery and another external battery) may be cooperatively used. Thus, it becomes possible to prolong the operation time of the display unit per one charging operation. Thus, amended Claim 11 recites a rod-shaped battery

detachably incorporated in said hinge. It is therefore respectfully requested that this rejection be withdrawn.

Consequently, in view of the foregoing discussion and present amendments, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. An early and favorable action is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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